Project MoIB

MoIB = Mpi_vm over IB

- A cluster of virtual machines for parallel applications in MPI

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Motivation and Configuration

A cluster of "virtual machines" for parallel applications(LQCD group)
Building this type of virtual cluster requires

- Install and configure usual parallel environments
  - IB software(OFED) + MPI library + Application(HPL)
- Building a route between MPI processes on VMs
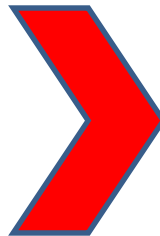 - virtual machines + virtual network

| HPL + MPI in guest or host | → | Step 3 : Test with HPL on MPI |

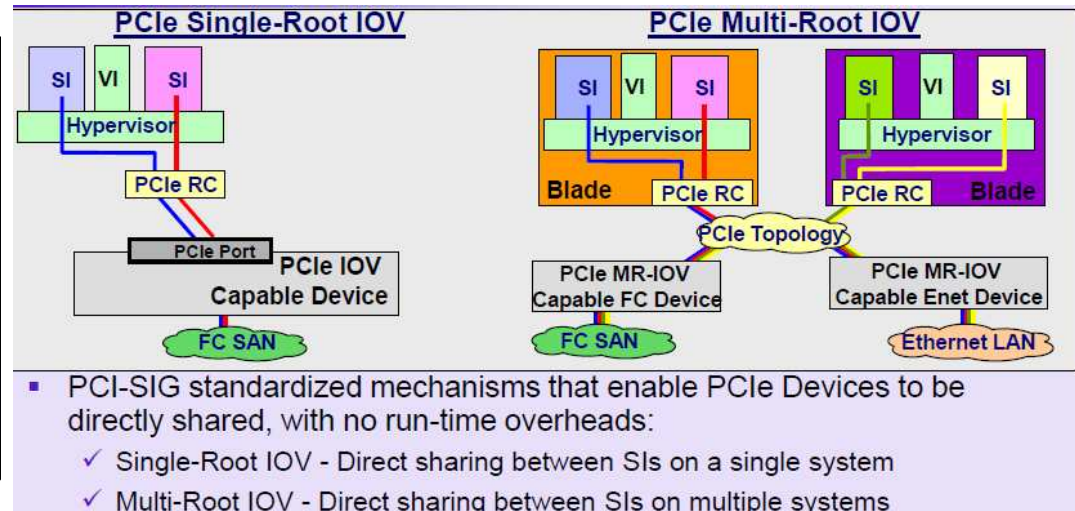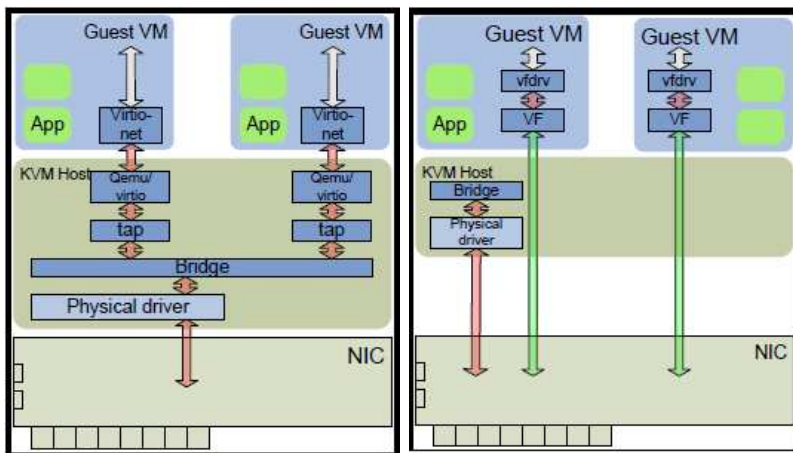| Virtual Network in guest | | Types of virtual networks |
| Virtual Machines in host | | Step 1 : Construct the "Route" |
| Virtual Network in host | | |

| OpenFabrics Software in host | → | Step 2 : IB Software |

Network Virtualization="Sharing of Network Resources"
Software vs Hardware-based Sharing : SRIOV

- PCI-SIG standardized mechanisms that enable PCIe Devices to be directly shared, with no run-time overheads:
  - ✓ Single-Root IOV - Direct sharing between SIs on a single system
  - ✓ Multi-Root IOV - Direct sharing between SIs on multiple systems

SRIOV: Make a physical device appear as multiple virtual devices

Virtual network solution better than software-based approach

- – Less burden in hypervisor, less CPU consumption, more scalability

Question: Does Mellanox adapter in fcl017 support SRIOV?

- – Mlx brochures : say yes, but emails to Mlx engineers unanswered

Question: Assuming it does, how do we enable SRIOV?

- – Intel 82576 GbE Controllers support SRIOV: modprobe igb max_vfs=2
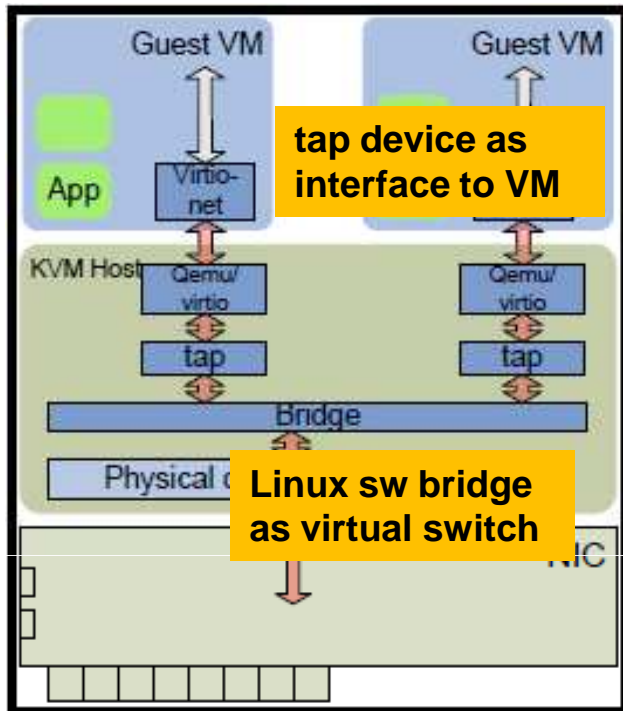
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03:00.1 InfiniBand: Mellanox Technologies Unknown device 673d (rev b0)
03:00.2 InfiniBand: Mellanox Technologies Unknown device 673d (rev b0)
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03:00.4 InfiniBand: Mellanox Technologies Unknown device 673d (rev b0)
```

Presentation of Mellanox engineer at 2010 OpenFabrics workshp
Asked how in email: no answer

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Software-based Sharing: Constructing the "Path"

Common: bridge created by brctl, interfaces by tunctl
Connection btn interface to vm and interface to IB

tap device as interface to VM

Linux sw bridge as virtual switch

Bridged

```
[root@fcl009 ~]# brctl show
bridge name    interfaces
br0            eth0
               vnet0 : connected to ethX of vm
(tunctl creates vnet0)
(brctl  creates br0 and plugs eth0 and vnet0 to it)
```
Connection by brctl

NAT

```
[root@fcl018 ~]# brctl show
virbr0         virbr0-nic  : routed to eth0 via iptables NAT
               vnet0       : connected to eth0 of vm
(tunctl creates vnet0 and virbr0-nic)
(brctl  creates virbr0 and plugs virbr0-nic and vnet0 to it)
```
Connection by linux NAT

Route

```
[root@fcl018 ~]# brctl show
virbr1         virbr1-nic : routed to eth0 via rtable
               vnet1      : connected to eth1 of vm
(tunctl creates vnet1 and virbr1-nic)
(brctl  creates virbr1 and plugs virbr1-nic and vnet1 to it)
```
Connection by Route Table

Virtual NIC

Virtual HCA

Virtual Ethernet Switch

Virtual IB Switch

IP on IB

Ethernet

InfiniBand

1. Create the virtual network
   • Virtual Switch
2. Create IPoIB
3. Construct the rtable
   • ip route add
4. SSH for Private Network

1. Create Route Mode Virtual Network
2. Create IPoIB : ifcfg-ib0

Define Route mode virtual network

Linux bridge created by brctl

Interface to VM as tap device by tunctl

Define VM to connect to bridge

MAC addr in XML is used in VM's eth1

```
[root@fcl017 ]# virsh net-define/edit/start mynet
<network>
  <name>mynet</name>
  <forward mode='route'/>
  <bridge name='vbridge0' stp='on' delay='0' />
  <mac address='52:54:00:0E:03:A4'/>
  <ip address='192.168.17.1' netmask='255.255.255.0'>
    <dhcp>
      <range start='192.168.17.2' end='192.168.17.254' />
      <host mac='54:52:00:02:17:02' ip='192.168.17.2'/>

[root@fcl017 ~]# brctl show
bridge name   interfaces
vbridge0      vbridge0-nic
              vnet1
```

```
[root@fcl017 ~]# virsh dumpxml fcl017vm1
    <interface type='network'>
        <mac address='54:52:00:02:17:02'/>
        <source network='mynet'/>
        <target dev='vnet1'/>

[root@fcl017vm1 ~]# cd /etc/udev/rules.d/
[root@fcl017vm1 ~]# cat 70-persistent-net.rules
# PCI device 0x1af4:0x1000 (virtio-pci)
SUBSYSTEM=="net",
ATTR{address}=="54:52:00:02:17:02",
NAME="eth1"
```

In hosts we create a new interface(ib0) to IB(ifcfg-ib0 handled by IPoIB driver)
This physical interface ib0 creates a subnet 192.168.2.0 between two hosts
The bridge creates a subnet 17.0 (shown in routing table)

```
[root@fcl017 ~]# cat /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-ib0
DEVICE="ib0"
IPADDR="192.168.2.17"
[root@fcl017 ~]# ip link show ib0
ib0: link/infiniband 80:00:00:48:fe:80:00:00:00:00:00:00:00:02:c

[root@fcl017 ~]# route
Destination      Gateway       Genmask          Flags Metric Ref    Use Iface
192.168.17.0     *             255.255.255.0    U     0      0        0 vbridge0
192.168.2.0      *             255.255.255.0    U     0      0        0 ib0
```

Now we need routing tables

3. Routing Table: Finding the next hop
4. SSH Configuration for PK Authentication

17.2
Source

17.3

18.2

18.3
Destination

192.168.17.0

192.168.18.

192.168.17.1

192.168.18.1

192.168.2.17

192.168.2.0

192.168.2.18

```
fcl017vm1 ip route add 192.168.18.0/24 via 192.168.17.1 dev eth1
Destination       Gateway          Use Iface
192.168.18.0      192.168.17.1     eth1

fcl017    ip route add 192.168.18.0/24 via 192.168.2.18 dev ib0
192.168.18.0      192.168.2.18     ib0

fcl018    ip route add 192.168.17.0/24 via 192.168.2.17 dev ib0
192.168.17.0      192.168.2.17     ib0

fcl018vm1 ip route add 192.168.17.0/24 via 192.168.18.1 dev eth1
192.168.17.0      192.168.18.1     eth1
```

Private IP address
PublicKey Auth in sshd_config

```
fcl017vm8 cat /etc/ssh/sshd_config
RSAAuthentication no
PubkeyAuthentication yes
AuthorizedKeysFile .ssh/authorized_keys2

PasswordAuthentication no
KerberosAuthentication no
GSSAPIAuthentication no
```

Static routes in /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/route-eth1 (or ib0)

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Task 2 : InfiniBand Software

- Software from OpenFabrics Alliance
  - Use Mellanox version for firmware update
- The command: install.pl --prefix /usr/local/ofed
- Intensive hacking of this perl script
  - needed to make sure the install was OK
  - rpm -ivh package.src.rpm
  - package compile at /root/rpmbuild/BUILD
  - rpmbuild -> package.x86_64.rpm
  - rpm -ivh package.x86_64.rpm
- All packages processed OK, except for one infinipath-psm from the package list

Hacking infinipath-psm

Hardcoded paths for lib and include, replaced by use of
rpm macros, Makefile variable and
command line options to make

```
General Info
 OFA OFED : 1.5.3.2
 OS: Scientific Linux Fermi 6.1 (equivalent of RHEL6.1)
 kernel: 2.6.32-131.6.1.el6.x86_64

Symptom:
 When I do,
 install.pl --prefix /usr/local/ofed

infinipath-psm package alone is still installed in /usr
 not in /usr/local/ofed/.
 The rest of the packages are built/installed as instructed.

rpm -qipl infinipath-psm-1.14-1.x86_64.rpm
 has the followings
 /usr/lib64/libinfinipath.so.4
 /usr/lib64/libinfinipath.so.4.0
 /usr/lib64/libpsm_infinipath.so.1
 /usr/lib64/libpsm_infinipath.so.1.14
 when I expect
 /usr/local/ofed/lib64/libinfinipath.so.4
 /usr/local/ofed/lib64/libinfinipath.so.4.0
 /usr/local/ofed/lib64/libpsm_infinipath.so.1
 /usr/local/ofed/lib64/libpsm_infinipath.so.1.14

(In /root/rpmbuild/SPECS)
rpmbuild --define='_prefix /usr/local/ofed'
         --define='_lib lib64'
         -ba infinipath-psm.spec

/usr/lib/rpm/macros or /root/.rpmmacros
%_prefix          /usr or will be given as cl argument
%_exec_prefix  %{_prefix}
%_lib              lib
%_libdir          %{_exec_prefix}/%{_lib}
%_includedir   %{_prefix}/include
```

```
Solution: 1. Modification to infinipath-psm.spec

== Original ==
%files
%defattr(-,root,root,-)
/usr/lib64/libpsm_infinipath.so.*
/usr/lib64/libinfinipath.so.*
/usr/include/psm.h
/usr/include/psm_mq.h

== Modified ==
%files
%defattr(-,root,root,-)
%{_libdir}/libpsm_infinipath.so.*
%{_libdir}/libinfinipath.so.*          (In Makefile)
%{_includedir}/psm.h                   ifndef LIBDIR
%{_includedir}/psm_mq.h                    ifeq (${arch},x86_64)
                                               INSTALL_LIB_TARG=/usr/lib64
== Original ==                             endif
make DESTDIR=$RPM_BUILD_ROOT in else
                                           INSTALL_LIB_TARG=${LIBDIR}
== Modified ==
make DESTDIR=${RPM_BUILD_ROOT} install: all
       LIBDIR=%_libdir                install ${DESTDIR}${INSTALL_LIB_TARG}/.so
       INCDIR=%_includedir    install

2. Modification to Makefile in infinipath-psm-1.14.tar.gz
== Original ==
install: all .....
    install -D psm.h      ${DESTDIR}$/usr/include/psm.h
    install -D psm_mq.h ${DESTDIR}$/usr/include/psm_mq.h

== Modified ==
INSTALL_INC_TARG=${INCDIR}
install: all .....
    install -D psm.h      ${DESTDIR}${INSTALL_INC_TARG}/psm.h
    install -D psm_mq.h ${DESTDIR}${INSTALL_INC_TARG}/psm_mq.h
```

Reported to OFA Forum
Modifications to infinipath-psm

IB Diagnostic Tools in the OFA

```
[root@fcl017 ~]# /etc/init.d/opensmd status
opensm (pid 31890) is running...

[root@fcl017 ~]# ibstat
CA 'mlx4_0'
    CA type: MT26418
    Number of ports: 1
    Firmware version: 2.9.1000
    Hardware version: b0
    Node GUID: 0x0002c903000848da
    System image GUID: 0x0002c903000848dd
    Port 1:
        State: Active
        Physical state: LinkUp
        Rate: 20
        Base lid: 1
        LMC: 0
        SM lid: 1
        Capability mask: 0x0251086a
        Port GUID: 0x0002c903000848db
        Link layer: IB


[root@fcl017 ~]# ibhosts
Ca         : 0x0002c90300084a3a ports 1 "fcl018 HCA-1"
Ca         : 0x0002c903000848da ports 1 "fcl017 HCA-1"


[root@fcl017 ~]# ibdiagnet
-I- Discovering ... 3 nodes (1 Switches & 2 CA-s) discovered.

-I- Stages Status Report:
    STAGE                            Errors Warnings
    Bad GUIDs/LIDs Check             0      0
    Link State Active Check          0      0
    General Devices Info Report      0      0
    Performance Counters Report      0      1
    Partitions Check                 0      0
    IPoIB Subnets Check              0      1
```

```
[root@fcl017 ~]# ibtracert 3 1
From ca {0x0002c903000848da} portnum 1 lid 3-3 "fcl017 HCA-1"
[1]   -> switch port [17] lid 2-2 "MT47396 Infiniscale-III"
[18]  -> ca port        [1]  lid 1-1 "fcl018 HCA-1"
To    ca {0x0002c90300084a3a} portnum 1 lid 1-1 "fcl018 HCA-1"

[root@fcl018 ~]# ib_send_bw
[root@fcl017 ~]# ib_send_bw fcl018
------------------------------------------------------------
                  Send BW Test
Number of qps    : 1
Connection type : RC
TX depth         : 300
CQ Moderation    : 50
Link type        : IB
Mtu              : 2048
Inline data is used up to 0 bytes message
local address: LID 0x01 QPN 0x580049 PSN 0x6fe986
remote address: LID 0x03 QPN 0x180049 PSN 0x49109b
------------------------------------------------------------
 #bytes      #iterations    BW peak[MB/sec]    BW average[MB/sec]
 65536       1000           752.20             752.20
------------------------------------------------------------

[root@fcl018 ~]# ib_send_bw
[root@fcl017 ~]# ib_send_lat fcl018
------------------------------------------------------------
                  Send Latency Test
Number of qps    : 1
Connection type : RC
TX depth         : 50
CQ Moderation    : 50
Link type        : IB
Mtu              : 2048
Inline data is used up to 400 bytes message
local address: LID 0x01 QPN 0x5c0049 PSN 0x173de7
remote address: LID 0x03 QPN 0x1c0049 PSN 0xf83f2b
------------------------------------------------------------
 #bytes #iterations    t_min[usec]    t_max[usec]   t_typical[usec]
 2      1000           2.01           41.07         2.05
```

All results look ok and compared with results of lattice QCD (Amitoj Singh)

MPI Library Install and mpirun

- BM use MPI in OFA, but for VM, it's redundant
  - Use standalone MPI: OpenMPI
- Choose network fabric and interface
  - mpirun --mca btl   openib(host), tcp(guest)
  - mpirun --mca btl_tcp_include ib0(host), eth1(guest)
- mpirun : an error trying to initialize IB devices
  - How to increase memlock limit?
  - For root, /etc/security/limits.conf
  - For me, ulimit –l unlimited, where?
    - /etc/init.d/sshd : have to restart sshd sometimes

The Cluster is Ready for Tests

- **16 virtual machines on fcl17 and fcl18**
  - 8 physical cores on each BM, HyperThread off
  - All VMs has OpenMPI installed
  - Passwordless ssh between each guests
- **Hosts have OFA package for InfiniBand**
  - How to connect two different fabrics?
    - In Data Link Layer, not possible
    - In Network Layer, IPoIB: IP addr to interface to IB
  - Virtual bridge in "route mode": VM plugged
  - Host routing tables relay the packets
- **Now move on to running MPI applications**

Understanding HPL: Test In Bare Metals

- Measure the MPI performance in FLoatingpoint Operations Per Second
- Question : When do we gain better result?
  - when increasing the number of cores and nodes
- Tests with increasing problem sizes within the total capacity of memory
  - 24 GB (4GB X 6 DIMMs) in fcl0xx machines
  - If smaller problem requires 240 MB, 30 MB will be processed by each of 8 cores
  - If larger problem requires 24 GB, 3 GB will be processed by each of 8 cores
  - Larger problem size produces not good performance due to more communications
  - Or suffering from memory transport issue in NUMA? Need to check
- Question: Does each 30 MB(or 3 GB) get assigned in memory closest to core that processes it?
  - Solution : numactl is used with mpirun, but the result does not improve much!
  - Question: Is numactl actually doing something?

```
== Table 1 Before numactl====
        200MB    2GB    12GB
--------------------------------
2 cores    4.150
--------------------------------
4 cores    8.261
--------------------------------
8 cores    14.74   8.062  7.073
================================

== Table 2 Using numactl=====
        200MB    2GB    12GB
--------------------------------
2 cores    4.157
--------------------------------
4 cores    8.267
--------------------------------
8 cores    14.72   8.248  7.153
```

```
== numactl mapping =====
numactl --hardware
available: 2 nodes (0-1)
node 0 cpus: 0 1 2 3
node 0 size: 12278 MB

node 1 cpus: 4 5 6 7
node 1 size: 12288 MB
```

```
== Table 3 =============
            200MB    2 GB
(opposite)  14.47    5.336
8 cores     14.78    8.073
(numactl)   14.94    8.229
=======================
```

```bash
#!/bin/bash
cpunum=$OMPI_COMM_WORLD_LOCAL_RANK
case $cpunum in
    0,1,2,3)  node=0;;
    4,5,6,7)  node=1;;
esac
memnum=$node
numactl --membind=$memnum --physcpubind=$cpunum $*
```

```
== Table 4 Problem size Fixed at 2GBB ==============
        fcl017   17-IB-18   Two more machines
--------------------------------------------------
2  cores    4.128
--------------------------------------------------
4  cores    7.597
--------------------------------------------------
8  cores    8.062
--------------------------------------------------
16 cores            24.51
--------------------------------------------------
32 cores                   "Better result expected"
```

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HPL Test 2: In Virtual Machines

- Next, same HPL test in virtual machines
- How to pin each of 16 VMs on one specific core?
- Again numactl is used but now wrapped by libvirt
  - New elements : <cpu tune>, <numa tune> in LV 0.9.X

```
New features in libvirt > 0.9
  <cputune>
    <vcpupin vcpu='0' cpuset='Y'/>
    <vcpupin vcpu='1' cpuset='Y'/>
  </cputune>
  <numatune>
    <memory mode='strict' nodeset='N'/>
  </numatune>
```

```
fcl017vmX X = 1,2,3,4
Y = 0,1,2,3
N = 0

fcl017vmX X = 5,6,7,8
Y = 4,5,6,7
N = 1
```

```
[root@fcl018 ~]# numactl --hardware
available: 2 nodes (0-1)

node 0 cpus: 0 1 2 3
node 0 size: 12278 MB

node 1 cpus: 4 5 6 7
node 1 size: 12288 MB
```

```
[root@fcl018 ~]# virsh dumpxml fcl018vm8
  <name>fcl018vm8</name>
  <vcpu>2</vcpu>
  <cputune>
    <vcpupin vcpu='0' cpuset='7'/>
    <vcpupin vcpu='1' cpuset='7'/>
  </cputune>
  <numatune>
    <memory mode='strict' nodeset='1'/>
  </numatune>
```

```
[root@fcl018 ~]# virsh vcpuinfo fcl018vm8
VCPU:              0
CPU:               7
State:             running
CPU Affinity:      -------y

VCPU:              1
CPU:               7
State:             running
CPU Affinity:      -------y
```

Currently I am tuning this configuration to extract meaningful results from running HPL on 16 virtual machines compared to 16 processes

Plans: Now It's Optimization

- **Performance Optimization**
  - NUMA well controlled by numactl?
  - SRIOV can do better than KVM network
  - Inter-VM, is MPI the best to use SHM?
    - How about Multithreading via OpenMP?

- **Management Optimization**
  - Virtual Machines : OpenNebula
    - Front-end on fcl017 with 16 cluster nodes(VMs)
  - System/User File Sharing
    - Puppet : Configuration Manager

Puppet Test for File Sharing

```
Files to share between all virtual machines
/etc/ssh/sshd_config
/etc/hosts

/etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth1
/etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/route-eth1

/home2/vmpiuser/.bash_profile
/home2/vmpiuser/.ssh/id_rsa.pub, authorized_keys2
/home2/vmpiuser/HPL/HPL.dat
```

```
[root@fcl017 ]# rpm -qil epel-release
Summary : Extra Packages for Enterprise Linux
          repository configuration
/etc/yum.repos.d/epel-testing.repo
/etc/yum.repos.d/epel.repo

[root@fcl017 ]# rpm -ivh epel-release-6-5.noarch.rpm

[root@fcl017 ]# yum install puppet
Installed:
  puppet.noarch 2.6.6-1.el6

[root@fcl017 ]# yum install puppet-server
Installed:
  puppet-server.noarch 2.6.6-1.el6

[root@fcl018 ]# yum install puppet
Installed:
  puppet.noarch 2.6.6-1.el6
```

```
The server = fcl017
The client = fcl018, modify /etc/puppet/puppet.conf to have
server = fcl017.fnal.gov

Start puppetmaster daemon in fcl017
/etc/init.d/puppetmaster start
 (/usr/bin/ruby /usr/sbin/puppetmasterd)
Start puppet         daemon in fcl018
/etc/init.d/puppet start
 (/usr/bin/ruby /usr/sbin/puppetd)

==== Local test ====
[root@fcl017 manifests]# cat /etc/puppet/manifests/mytest.pp
file {'testfile':
    path   => '/tmp/testfile',
    ensure => present,
    mode   => 0640,
    content => "This is a test file",
}

[root@fcl017 ]# puppet apply mytest.pp
notice: /Stage[main]//File[testfile]/content:
 content changed '{md5}6064ca9e3253407a99d97c41f2643f9b'
              to '{md5}fdf6a70e3cdc41b87d3ede132b939b2c'
notice: Finished catalog run in 0.01 seconds

[root@fcl017 ]# cat /tmp/testfile : This is a test file

===== Applying to my needs =====
Applying a new sshd_config to all 16 VMs
 - PublickeyAuthentication yes for instance

cp /etc/ssh/new_sshd_config fcl017:/etc/puppet/myarchive/

Create a manifest for this in the server,
/etc/puppet/manifests/sshd_config.pp
file { '/etc/ssh/sshd_config':
    ensure => file,
    mode   => 600,
    source => '/etc/puppet/myarchive/sshd_config',
  }
service { 'sshd':
    ensure      => running,
    subscribe   => File['/etc/ssh/sshd_config'],
}
```
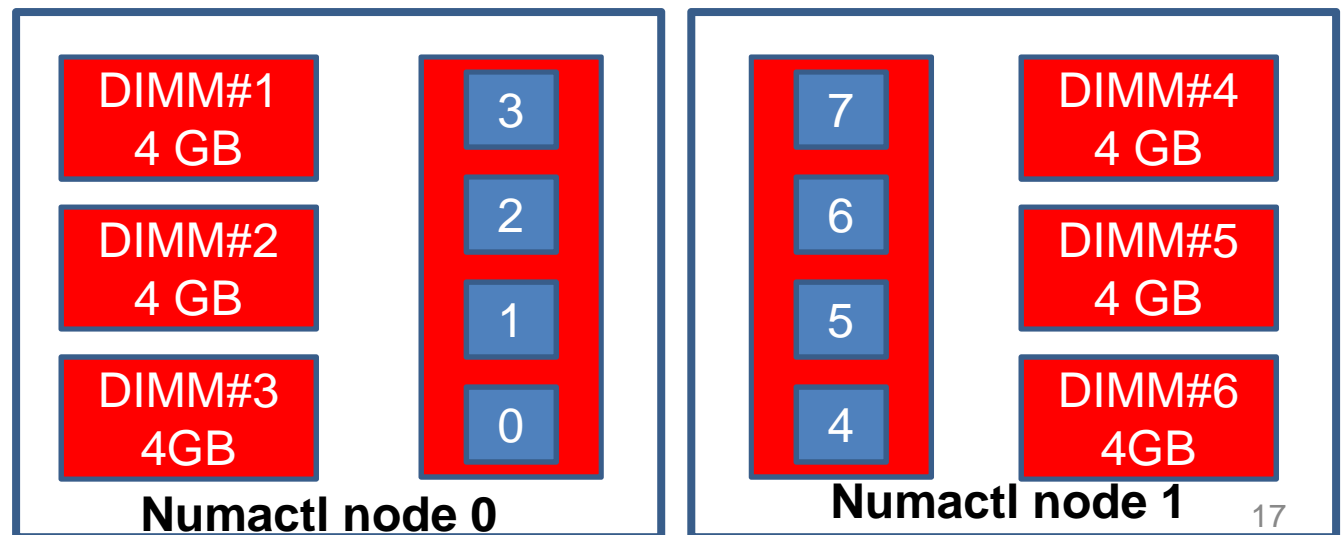
Optimization 1 : NUMA

- Question: Does numactl do the best?
- Question: How is the mapping decided?
  - The numactl source code : just looks at /sys/devices/system/node
  - Is this mapping the most optimized?
  - Is it equivalent to the real configuration?
  - Question: Any way to verify the effect of numactl?
    - Don Holmgren old experience writing a program to check the mapping of virtual memory space of a process to physical memory.

```
=== The numactl mapping =====
[fcl018 ]$ numactl --hardware
available: 2 nodes (0-1)
node 0 cpus: 0 1 2 3
node 0 size: 12278 MB
node 0 free: 11455 MB

node 1 cpus: 4 5 6 7
node 1 size: 12288 MB
node 1 free: 11703 MB
==============================
```

DIMM#1 4 GB	3
DIMM#2 4 GB	2
DIMM#3 4GB	1
	0

Numactl node 0

7	DIMM#4 4 GB
6	DIMM#5 4 GB
5	DIMM#6 4GB
4	

Numactl node 1

Optimization 2 : SRIOV

- Two things I can do before Mellanox SRIOV
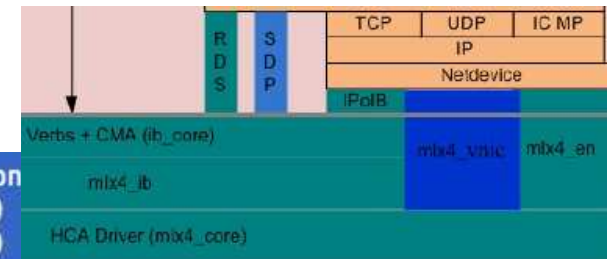   1. Use Intel GbE 82576 controllers
        - modprobe igb max_vfs =2

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```

```
[root@fcl017 ~]# virsh edit fcl017vm1
 <hostdev mode='subsystem' type='pci' managed='yes'>
 <address domain='0x0000' bus='0x08' slot='0x10' function='0x0'/>
[root@fcl017 ~]# ip link set eth0 vf 0 mac 54:52:00:02:17:12
```

```
fcl017vm1 /etc/udev/rules.d/70-persistent-net.rules
ATTR{address}=="54:52:00:02:17:12", NAME="eth0"
```

    2. Trying SRIOV with our current Mellanox adapters
        - Says mlx4_core does it
        - modprobe mlx4_core max_vfs=2 : crashes
        - /rpmbuild/SOURCES/ofa_kernel/drivers/net/mlx4/main.c
            – to find correct name if any, unsuccessful
        - A patch in RHEL5.5 to enable SRIOV in mlx4_core

Optimization 3 : MultiThreading

- Will write a small parallel program that can be implemented both by MPI and OpenMP
- And compare

Overall Control by a python script

```
[root@fcl017 Python]# python moibcheck.py

moibcheck >> check alltheway
[Step 1 the Bridge] Checking the status of virtual bridge in Route mode

- checking if its definition exists /etc/libvirt/qemu/networks/mynet.xml
--> /etc/libvirt/qemu/networks/mynet.xml exists

- checking if mynet.xml is correctly configured by comparing with a template
--> mynet has the definition that it is supposed to have

--> mynet.xml DOES NOT exist.
- Do you want me to create a new one for you? y
--> You entered yes, creating a new Route mode bridge from a template
--> /tmp/mynet.xml is created, now defining via virsh net-define mynet
--> mynet is defined, now finally starting it via virsh net-start mynet
--> mynet in Route mode is active now

[Step 2 the virtual NIC] Checking the status of 8 virtual NICs hooked into the bridge
- checking <interface> element of XML definitions of virtual machines

[Step 3 the host NIC] Checking the status of host interface to InfiniBand media, IP on IB
- checking if /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-ib0 exists
--> /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-ib0 exists

- checking if ib0 is up or down. The command to use: ip link show ib0
--> The status of ib0 is UP

--> /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-ib0 does not exist.
- Do you want me to create a new one for you? y
--> Creating a new IPoIB interface from a template
--> /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-ib0 is created. Now ifcfg-ib0 is created and UP.

[Step 4 the RTable] Checking routing tables for Route mode bridge to link guest NIC and host NIC
- Type hostname, fcl017 or fcl018? fcl017
--> Current routing table in fcl017 does not have routes for 192.168.18.0 network
- Do you want me to run ip route add 192.168.18.0/24 via 192.168.2.18 dev ib0?y
--> You typed yes, creating a routing table entry for the route to VMs in fcl018
- checking the static route file /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/route-ib0
```

Summary

- **Cluster of virtual machines** for **MPI** is ready!
  - For now with KVM(virtual networks) on IB
  - Later with **SRIOV** on InfiniBand
- Now tuning the cluster using HPLinpack
- Looking into OpenNebula and Puppet
  - For management optimization
- Python script for initialization/maintenance
- Technical Note is being prepared now